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# Proposed Changes to K-Basin Sludge and K-Basin Cleanup Milestones

**NOTICE**

**Public Comment Period**  
*June 1 - July 16, 2004*

The U.S. Department of Energy, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the Washington State Department of Ecology, the agencies responsible for Hanford cleanup, want your input on proposed changes that outline a strategy and schedule for accelerating K-Basins sludge treatment and disposal and removal of the K-Basins and cleanup of the soils under the Basins.

The proposed changes to the M-34 and M-16 Tri-Party Agreement milestone series include:

- Initiate containerization of K-East sludge by October 31, 2004
- Initiate containerization of K-West sludge by June 30, 2006
- Complete treatment of sludge by October 31, 2007
- Complete removal of the K-Basins and their content by March 31, 2009.

**Submit comments in writing or electronically to:**

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Tri-Party Agreement

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Washington State Department of Ecology

For additional information or a copy of the draft change package  
call the *Hanford Cleanup Line*: **1-800-321-2008**

The proposed change package is available electronically at:  
**[www.hanford.gov/tpa/changelist.htm](http://www.hanford.gov/tpa/changelist.htm)**

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